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National Methamphetamine Awareness Day

The White House has officially proclaimed Thursday, November 30, 2006, as the first-ever National Methamphetamine Awareness Day in order to raise awareness about the dangers of methamphetamine use. In recognition of National Methamphetamine Awareness Day, U.S. Attorney Stephen J. Murphy will discuss the methamphetamine initiative he announced for the district in August, 2005, and highlight local successful prosecutions in our district. In addition to the local press conference, U.S. Attorney Murphy will deliver remarks to corporate security officials, business leaders and educators from GM, Chrysler and Michigan State University at General Motors Headquarters in Detroit.

****A press conference is scheduled to take place in Lansing at 10:00 am. Participants will include United States Attorney Stephen J. Murphy, Deputy Director Mary Ann Solberg, White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, Margaret M. Chiara, U.S. Attorney, Western District of Michigan, Donald L. Allen, Jr., Director of the Michigan Office of Drug Control Policy, Col. Peter M. Munoz, Director of the Michigan State Police, Abraham L. Azzam, Director, Michigan HIDTA and Robert Corso, Special Agent in Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration, Detroit.**

Local media is welcomed to attend the event in Lansing, however, if you are unable to attend the statewide press conference, you are invited and encouraged to attend the local press conference given by U.S. Attorney Murphy.